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1. DURING MY MEETING WITH MFA PERMANENT UNDER SECRETARY EIGIL JORGENSEN ON MARCH 20, I ASKED WHETHER HE COULD DIVULGE WHAT HAPPENDED DURING FOREIGN MINISTER ANDERSEN'S VISIT TO BONN MARCH 17-18. JORGENSEN REPLIED THAT MOST OF THE DISCUSSION CENTERED AROUND THE ECONOMIC AND MONETARY SITUATION ON WHICH "CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT EXPLAINED THE VIEWS ALREADY KNOWN TO AMERICAN AUTHORITIES". (JORGENSEN ADDED PARENTHETICALLY THAT ANDERSEN AND GERMANS AGREED TO KEEP THE SUBSTANCE OF THE DISCUSSION TO THEMSELVES FOR THE TIME BEING.) DANES WERE INFORMED OF THE CALLAGHAN-SCHMIDT CONVERSATION, AND JORGENSEN ADDED THAT CALLAGHAN WILL UNDOUBTEDLY INFORM AMERICAN AUTHORITIES OF THIS TALKS WITH GERMAN LEADERS WHEN HE VISITS WASHINGTON LATER THIS MONTH.

2. IN THE CAR, K.B.ANDERSEN DISCUSSED ERW WITH FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER. THE DANES SHARED WITH THE GERMANS THE INSTRUCTIONS THEY
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HAD SENT TO THEIR AMBASSADOR TO NATO ON THIS SUBJECT IN ORDER "TO HARMONIZE THEIR POSITION WITH THAT OF THE FRG". JORGENSEN SAID THAT THE DANISH POSITION AND THAT THE USG SHOULD NOT HAVE ANY REAL PROBLEMS WITH THE DANISH VIEWPOINT.

3. THERE WAS ALSO DISCUSSION OF THE FORTHCOMING EC SUMMIT MEETING IN COPENHAGEN APRIL 7 AND 8. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN ON APRIL 7

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WITH A LUNCH WITH ALL PRIME MINISTERS AND FOREIGN MINISTERS PRESENT. THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A GENERAL DISCUSSION. THE HEADS OF GOVERNMENTS WILL THEN HAVE DINNER ALONE AND WILL USE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS AMONG THEMSELVES THE MAJOR ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL ISSUES. THE NEXT DAY, APRIL 8, THE MEETINGS WILL CONTINUE WITH ALL DELEGATION MEMBERS PRESENT AND PRESUMABLY SOME OF THE TOPICS DISCUSSED BY THE CHIEFS OF GOVERNMENT ALONE WILL BE DISCUSSED FURTHER IN THIS BROADER FORUM. THE MEETING WILL THEN BE BROUGHT TO AN END IN THE AFTERNOON OF APRIL 8. JORGENSEN PROMISED ME A READOUT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THEREFATER.
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